GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
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Cargo Handling by Ports
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been significant increase in the handling of cargo by all the major ports in the country during the last one year and the current year, if so, the details of quantum of profit and operational income registered during the said period, port-wise;
(b) the details of combined capacity of all the major ports as well as the minor ports in the country;
(c) whether the Government has fixed any target to increase the capacity of ports in the country and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether the Government proposes to make all the major ports in the country as green ports generating electricity for their consumption and if so, the estimated quantum of power likely to be generated as a result thereof, port-wise; and
(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost the port sector in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) Yes, Madam. There has been increase in the handling of cargo at Major Ports in the country during the last one year and the current year. The cargo handled at Major Ports during 2014-15 was 581.34 Million Tonnes (MT) as against 555.49 Million Tonnes handled during 2013-14, registering a growth of 4.65%. In the Current Year from April to October, 2015, total traffic handled was 347.89 Million Tonnes as against 335.57 Million Tonnes handled in corresponding period of the last year, registering a growth of 3.67%. The details of Operating Income and Operating Surplus, Port-wise, for the last year and current year upto September are enclosed at Annexure-I.

(b) The total capacity of Major Ports and Non-Major Ports as on 31.03.2015 was 871.52 MT and 658.71 MT, respectively. The total capacity of both Major and Non-Major Ports was 1530.23 Million Tonnes.

(c) As per the 12th Plan document, the capacity of Major Ports is targeted to increase from 702.80 MT to 1229.24 MT by the end of the 12th five year Plan and that of Non Major Ports from 544.65 MT to 1457.42 MT.

(d) Government has set target to generate 135 Mega Watt (MW) non-conventional energy in Major Ports in next five years starting from 2015-16. Port-wise targets for Solar Energy are enclosed in Annexure-II.
(e) The Government has taken several measures to increase the capacity of Major Ports as also to bring them at par with international standards. These are as under:
(i) Construction of new berths
(ii) Upgradation of existing berths
(iii) Mechanization of berths
(iv) Installation of state of art equipments
(v) Mechanization of cargo handling systems
(vi) Dredging of navigation channel and berths to accommodate large vessels.

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ANNEXURE-I
Major Ports
Operating Income
(Rs. In Crores) Operating Surplus
(Rs. In Crores)
2014-15 April-Sep 15 2014-15 April-Sep 15
Kolkata Port 1773.60 893.86 384.70 209.35
Paradip Port 920.94 481.61 371.29 206.36
Visakhapatnam Port 792.62 381.89 227.12 158.67
Kamarajar Port 563.64 297.49 383.17 240.70
Chennai Port 698.75 391.21 133.94 128.94
V.O. Chidambaranar Port 466.84 299.68 237.79 182.13
Cochin Port 385.83 211.73 19.56 29.80
New Mangalore Port 380.23 202.45 136.04 42.00

Mormugao Port 286.75 155.62 39.80 48.63
Mumbai Port 1331.99 692.27 272.01 183.20
Jawaharlal Nehru Port 1475.85 814.59 798.17 429.95
Kandla Port 885.11 458.80 264.52 154.99
Total: 9962.15 5281.20 3268.11 2014.72

ANNEXURE-II

Name of the Port Targeted Energy (in MW)
Kolkata Port 10
Paradeep Port 20
Visakhapatnam Port 15
Kamarajar Port 20
V.O.Chidambaranar 15
New Mangalore Port 10
Jawaharlal Nehru Port 25
Kandla Port 20
Total 135
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